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11. (SBU) Post sent the proposed TIFA Council agenda (reftel) to the MFA by diplomatic note on July 30 with the request that it be forwarded to the Ministry of Foreign Economic Relations, Investment, and Trade (MFERIT). The note further requested a meeting with MFERIT Minister Elyor Ganiev to discuss any GOU comments on the proposed agenda and to identify issues the GOU would like to see included in the bilateral U.S.-Uzbek dialog preceding the TIFA Council meeting.

¶2. (SBU) On August 21 we received a diplomatic note from the MFA informing that Uzbekistan will be represented by Minister Ganiev at the TIFA Council on 7-8 October. There was no comment concerning the proposed agenda or topics for bilateral discussion. The MFA informed us verbally on August 27 that it is still attempting to arrange a meeting for us with Minister Ganiev.

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